

INTERNATIONAL Sunday School ::: Lesson :::

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LESSON FOR OCTOBER 15

APPEAL TO CAESAR.

LESSON TEXT—Acts 25 (vv. 1-15).
GOLDEN TEXT—It is enough for the
disciple that he be as his teacher, and
the servant as his Lord.—Math. 10:25.

Teachers ought to urge their scholars to read Chapters 24, 25 and 26 thoroughly, and with the use of a map locate the places mentioned. The date of this lesson is A. D. 59, and it occurred at the crisis of the events which determined the way Paul should go to Rome, Nero being the emperor at that time.

I. Paul in the Prison at Caesarea (vv. 1-15). Paul was worn out, badly in need of rest, and is given during this imprisonment much freedom. He was accompanied by Luke, his physician, and probably some of his other friends. For almost 20 years Paul had been living a strenuous life, crowded full of labors that would have crushed an ordinary man. Now for some considerable time he had time to thoroughly master and assimilate the truth which he had been preaching, the results of which have come down to us in the form of letters, seven of which at least were written during and after the events of this lesson. His imprisonment also gave many of his friends opportunity to secure his counsel and guidance. The vindictiveness and hatred of the Jews is evident by this new plot whereby they sought the help of Festus against Paul. The corrupt Felix had been succeeded by a more upright man, Festus. The scheme of these enemies of Paul and of Jesus had already resulted in giving Paul an opportunity to preach Jesus as the Christ and the Judge of men to persons who otherwise would not have been within the scope of his influence. Through his persecution he had reached leading officials and educated men of the Romans and of the Jews. Bunyan, in Bedford Jail, and Luther in Wittenberg Castle, are illustrations of the principle that, "difficulties are the stones out of which all God's houses are built."

Felix, on giving up his office to his successor, left Paul bound (Ch. 24:27) though he knew he ought to be released, but by this vile, iniquitous act, he gave Paul another one of his desired opportunities to witness for Christ in high places. The shrewdness of Festus saved Paul from falling into the trap of the Jews, for God was guiding Festus, and at the same time guarding Paul.

II. Paul's Appeal to Caesar (vv. 7-12). The Jews made many and grievous complaints, but without bringing a single witness to prove their assertions. Doubtless these were the same old charges that had been brought before Felix through Tertullus two years before, and which now, as then, could not be proved. Paul was permitted to answer for himself, and he declared that he had broken neither the Jewish nor the Roman law. Most of the enemies of Christianity and of the Bible "lay many and grievous charges against it which they cannot prove." In all ages the enemies of God and his word mistake strong and confident charges and vilifications as proofs. Paul's life was absolutely clean, and he could say, "I have not sinned at all" (v. 8 R. V.) in any of the directions in which he was charged. Festus, as the newly appointed governor, desired to do the Jews a favor; literally, desired to gain their favor. Therefore he said to Paul, "Wilt thou go up to Jerusalem, and there be judged of these things before me?" This amounted to an acquittal of Paul on the charges that would come under the Roman law.

There remained only such charges as would naturally come before the Sanhedrin, and the question was whether Paul would accept an informal acquittal from the Roman court on condition that he submit to a trial before his own people on the other court. Festus wished to throw upon Paul the responsibility of refusing to go to Jerusalem, and to avoid displeasing the Jews.

Festus got a courteous but a stinging and well deserved rebuke from his prisoner. Paul was perfectly willing to take any punishment he deserved, even unto death, but, having a clear conscience, he had no fear of Festus or any man. His appeal to Caesar was most unexpected. It confused Festus and baffled the Jews. The Lord's words on his midnight visit to Paul in prison are here suggested (28:31).

Festus could make but one decision, "Unto Caesar thou shalt go." Paul's sincere and open character was the means of his safety and power.

III. Paul and Agrippa (vv. 18-25). Agrippa was the king of the northern part of Palestine, a Jew and trained in religious ceremonies, but one who never mixed politics with religion, wearing his Judaism as a garment.

His father, Agrippa I, slew James the elder, the apostle.

The great grandfather, "The Great," caused the massacre of the infant innocents (Math. 2).

He married his own sister, Bernice, who came with him on this visit to Festus.

Festus declared Paul's cause not a king.

MANNING DENIES CHARGE

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Oct. 13.—The local police arrested Homer Manning of Lick Branch, near here, on the charge of having taken part in the killing of George Church, town marshal of Barboursville, last September 23. Manning is 19 years old. He denies the charge. Two other arrests are expected.

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KATHERINE KANE.

With two revolvers in the hands of negro bandits pointed at her head, Miss Katherine Kane, Cleveland typist, tossed a newspaper over the Standard brass foundry company's payroll of \$1,175, hiding it, and gave them \$100 from the cash drawer when ordered to "shell out," thus saving \$1,175 for her employees.

Editorial Comment on Current Subjects

SHOULD NOT BE LED ASTRAY

From the Philadelphia Press

From the Democratic stump now comes the cry that the tariff question is all settled because, forsooth, a Democratic Congress has passed a law creating a Tariff commission. Democratic orators are now singing the refrain that thanks to this commission, the tariff is now out of politics. This is an idea that will be impossible for Democracy to make the American people believe. The tariff question will not and cannot be settled and taken out of American politics until it has been settled right. The controversy was reopened under the leadership of Woodrow Wilson after sixteen years of the most prosperous times our people ever enjoyed. More and more the belief grows in the United States that protection to home industries should be the permanent economic policy of the country.

The agitation against such a Tariff law as is now upon the statute book will not cease until the producers of America are given back the protection which was taken from them. The laborers of the United States will never consent to sell their labor in the open market in competition with the labor conditions of the Old World. Neither manufacturer, nor miner, nor farmer will acquiesce in the surrender of our domestic market to the producers of foreign nations. There will be no compromise with error nor abandonment of sound principles of public policy by the American people. They will not deliver over to the traders and speculators of the world the regulation of their commerce with foreign nations.

There has been the growing and unalterable spirit of the great majority of the American people for fifty years. That spirit will not down until the Protective system becomes so dominant in American politics and so universally accepted and acquiesced in, that no political party will dare to change our monetary system from a gold standard to free coinage of silver. The history of the past half century of American politics shows that a President of the United States who will array himself against the American system of Protective Tariff and attempts to surrender our home market to the traders of the world, cannot be re-elected. Unless he stands solidly before the country in the defense of American labor and industries, the President and his party go down to defeat at the end of one term.

No subterfuges or makeshifts will be tolerated. Neither President Wilson nor his party have in the slightest degree repudiated their anti-Protection documents. Alarmed at the depression in business and the unemployment of labor which resulted from the operation of the Wilson-Underwood law, Mr. Wilson, in order to secure another election, has of late been making suggestions which are inconsistent with his former utterances. In his apparently the hope that in this way he may lure the people into a feeling of security during the continuance of the temporary prosperity in which we are now living and will live until the close of hostilities in the Old World. If he were sincerely opposed to child labor in the mills of the United States, how could he consistently favor the importation into the American market of goods made by child labor abroad? If he were sincerely in favor of obtaining good wages in the United States, how could he consistently, at the same time, favor the importation into our markets of the products of cheap labor of Europe?

The American people should not and will not be led astray. They will not consent to sell their labor in the open market in competition with the labor conditions of the Old World. Neither manufacturer, nor miner, nor farmer will acquiesce in the surrender of our domestic market to the producers of foreign nations. There will be no compromise with error nor abandonment of sound principles of public policy by the American people. They will not deliver over to the traders and speculators of the world the regulation of their commerce with foreign nations.

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States, how could he consistently favor the importation into the American market of goods made by child labor abroad? If he were sincerely in favor of obtaining good wages in the United States, how could he consistently, at the same time, favor the importation into our markets of the products of cheap labor of Europe?

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BITS OF STATE NEWS

Carl E. Dudding, of Huntington, founder and managing director of the Prisoners Relief Society, has begun a trip which will take him from the Atlantic to the Pacific coasts and will include visits to many large cities of the United States where branches of the society have already been established. He also plans to visit many of the most important penal institutions throughout the country. Many railroads have provided him with free transportation. While in Detroit he will have a conference with Henry Ford who has already given much aid to the society in finding employment for ex-convicts.

The Taylor county court acting upon the petition presented by W. M. Wilson bearing the signatures of more than fifty legal voters and free holders of Knottsville district, has authorized an election to be held November 7 in connection with the general election to vote upon \$100,000 24 year five per cent serial bonds for the purpose of improving roads leading from Gratton through Knottsville to the Fetterton line intersecting with the northwestern turnpike near the boundary line of Preston and Taylor counties. A distance of approximately nine miles. The road leading from Tycarts Valley river by way of Gratton Park to Stone House, distance of four miles. The Knottsville and Millersville road from Knottsville to Millersville approximately one mile in length and the road east of Gratton from the curve bridge a distance of one mile.

Wheeling High school according to the Wheeling News is in the fight among West Virginia high schools for the silver loving cup put up at Charleston a few months ago as a trophy for the best work in Latin. Charleston High school now holds the cup, and at the end of this term the holder for the ensuing year will be decided. Dr.

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G. B. Cannady, head of the Latin department of West Virginia University, is trustee for the cup, and has charge of the competitive examinations upon which the championship is based.

According to the Weston Independent, Weston has a curiosity in the way of an English walnut tree. This tree was set out on the residence property of the late W. L. Dunnington, on lower Main avenue, by his wife some fifteen years ago and is of sturdy growth, some twenty feet in height. This year it bore two or three dozen walnuts, which are of large size and fine flavor.

The temporary organization of the Ohio Valley Development association was perfected at a meeting held in Wellsburg, which will include a commercial body of every town and city in the upper Ohio Valley in the tri-state district. The zone will cover the Ohio valley from Steubenville, Ohio, to Moundsville and will likely extend to Beaver, Pa. Twenty-three commercial organizations will be embodied, representing membership of 5,000 persons. Those who are not affiliated with a trade body may also become members. The organization promises to be the biggest association of the kind ever promulgated in this section of the country. It is for the purpose of having all the commercial bodies and those who are not affiliated with any particular organization, to cooperate for the advancement of the upper Ohio valley in securing more improvements to secure a nine-foot all-year-round stage in the Ohio river, to protect industries relative to freight traffic rates, promote the safety first movement, better roads, better markets for farm product and other movements for the betterment of the public in general.

While the World Series baseball games were being played Judge Alan H. Robinson, of the Ohio county criminal court at Wheeling saw to it that the jurors were kept informed of the progress of the games. The court page was assigned to the duty of keeping tab on the score. He informed the court and the court informed the attorneys and jurymen.

REGENTS MEETING CALLED

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Oct. 13.—A meeting of the State Board of Regents has been called for next Saturday morning in Charleston. A number of matters of minor nature are to be considered.

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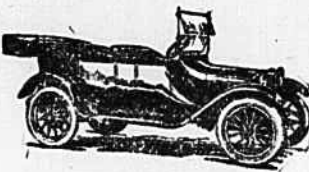
WHEELING, W. Va., Oct. 13.—The October term of Federal Court for the Northern district of West Virginia, will open here next Tuesday. Eugene Diez, held for the Central (W. Va.) station train robbery of \$100,000, will be arraigned. He is said to have confessed.

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KNIGHTS OF MALTA

Mountain State Commandery, No. 446, A. & L. O., Knights of Malta, meets every Thursday evening at 7:30, in third floor Cunningham building, over Ideal theatre. Sir J. N. Chilson Sir Knight Commander, Sir E. L. Kinkead, P. C. Recorder.

NATIONAL GUARD.

Co. H, First West Virginia National Guard, meets every Monday in the new Armory, Jackson St. Captain Francis Thralls; 1st Lieutenant C. J. Straight.

Co. I meets every Wednesday in new Armory, Captain E. E. Carls; 1st Lieutenant A. D. Bell; 2d Lieutenant N. G. Matthews.

MASONIC.

Fairmont Lodge No. 9, meets in Masonic Temple first and third Mondays in each month. Francis E. Nichols, Sec. Orient Chapter No. 5, R. A. M. meets in Masonic Temple second Monday of each month. Francis E. Nichols, Sec. Fairmont Chapter No. 4, O. E. S. meets in Masonic Temple first and third Thursdays. Helen Fleming, Sec.

W. C. T. U. meets every Tuesday in Willard Hall, W. C. T. U. Bldg. President, Mrs. W. D. Evans; treasurer, Mrs. A. L. Menear; Secy, Mrs. J. H. Beckman.

I. O. O. F. Marion Lodge No. 11, meets every Tuesday in Odd Fellows Hall, W. S. Pitzer, Sec.

Palatine Lodge No. 34, meets every Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock in Odd Fellows Hall, corner Main and Monroe streets. H. V. Swearingen, Secy., 1034 Morgantown Ave.

Mountain City Encampment No. 8, meets in Odd Fellows Hall on the first and third Fridays of each month. C. H. Riggie, Secy.

Patriarchs Militant, meets in Odd Fellows Hall Thursday evenings. H. W. Stoneking, Captain; Harlan Miller, Clerk.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS. Mountain City Lodge No. 48, meets in Fleming Bldg, Thursday evenings. S. E. Miller, K. of R. and S.

Marion Lodge No. 27, meets at Market and Merchant Streets, First Ward, every Tuesday evening.

Monumental Lodge No. 201, meets in Pythian Lodge Room, Barrackville, every Friday evening.

BROTHERHOOD RAILWAY TRAINMEN meets every first and third Wednesday Hall, J. E. Alexander, Sec.

DAUGHTERS OF REBEKAH. West Virginia Lodge No. 44, meets every Monday night at 7 o'clock at Odd Fellows Hall.

K. O. T. M. Showalter Tent No. 7, meets every Friday evening in McKinney Bldg.

LOYAL ORDER OF MOOSE. Fairmont Lodge No. 9, meets every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock in the Macabee Hall, McKinney Bldg. 317 Main street. R. D. Harden, Secy. Fairmont Lodge No. 11, meets in Masonic Savings Bank Bldg, every Monday evening. J. H. Kinkead, Sec.

LADIES OF MODERN MACGABEES. Dent Hive No. 253, Ladies of the Modern Macgabees, meets the first and third Fridays of each month in K. of P. Hall.

MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA. White Camp No. 5473, Modern Woodmen of America, meets every Friday evening at their hall in the Skinner Bldg. C. W. Walker, Clerk.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD. Meets in K. of P. Hall, Fleming Bldg. M. T. Jones, Clerk, 208 Albert Court.

GERMAN BENEFICIAL UNION. Meets second and fourth Sundays of each month at 119 Jackson street. Ernest Echwander president; H. C. Voelker, Sec.

I. O. O. F. M. Setting Sun Tribe No. 16, meets each Thursday evening at Red Men's Hall, First Ward. H. Ernest Hawkins, K. of R. 188 State Street, First Ward. Waneet Council No. 6, Degree of Pocomtue, meets every Friday evening at Red Men's Hall, First Ward.

A. O. H. Meets every second Sunday at Knights of Columbus Hall, M. J. O'Neil, Rec. Sec. Boutwell Division, Ladies Auxiliary.

B. P. O. E. Fairmont Lodge No. 294, meets at Elks Home, 419 Main street, near Madison, every Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Charles D. Barry, Sec., 228 High street.

KNIGHTS OF GOLDEN EAGLE. Meets in Murgrave Hall, W. A. Crowl, Meets first Friday of each month in K. of C. Hall. Grace McDonnell, Rec. Sec.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS. Meets first and third Mondays in old Masonic Hall, corner Main and Madison streets. Charles Armbruster, R. S., 120 Chestnut Street.

MARION CO. MEDICAL SOCIETY. Meets last Friday of each month in the Fleming Bldg, President, Dr. L. C. Holland; vice president, Dr. L. D. Howard; secretary, Dr. H. R. Johnson; treasurer, Dr. W. H. Sanda; board of censors, Drs. N. Foot, J. E. O'Neil, Wm. F. Boyers; delegates to West Virginia State Medical Association, Drs. H. H. Carr, A. L. Pe-

ters; alternates, Drs. E. P. Smith, C. W. Wadell.

V. M. O. A. Fairmont Avenue and First Street. J. M. Hartley, president; B. L. Binkley, Secretary; J. O. Watson, treasurer.

W. O. W. Meets every Monday evening in the Woodmen of the World Hall in the Skinner Bldg., 112 Main Street. J. H. Kinkead, Recorder. Degree of Honor of the W. O. W. Meets on the second and fourth Monday evenings at 8 o'clock at the same place. This is the ladies degree of the order.

ORDER OF OWLS. Fairmont Lodge No. 1622, Meets every Thursday in old K. of P. Hall, McKinney Bldg. M. J. Pearlman, Sec.

ORDER RAILWAY CONDUCTORS. Meets every first and third Sunday in Red Men's Hall. Fred Brumma, Sec.

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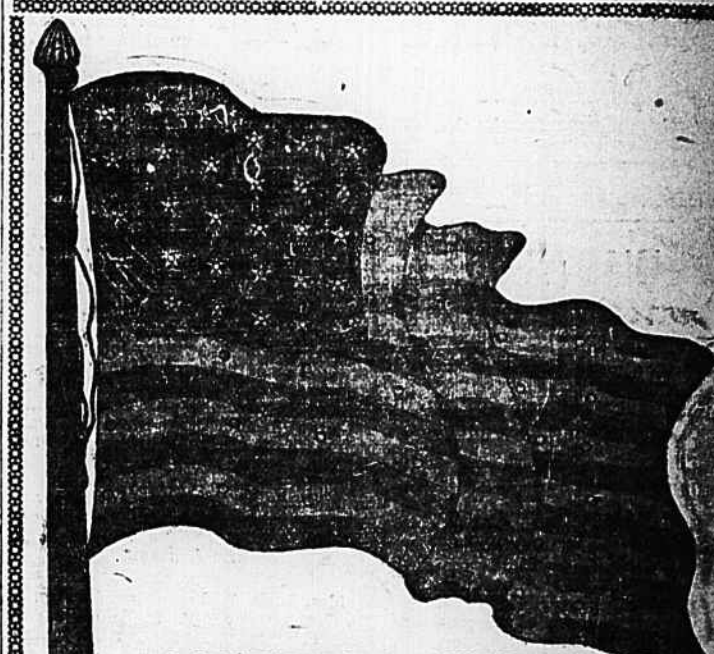
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